

REMARKS

Claims 1 through 42 are currently pending in the application and subject to an Election of Species Restriction Requirement.

Applicants hereby elect, without traverse, to prosecute Species II of the invention as identified by the Examiner in the Office communication mailed August 10, 2005, which corresponds to the embodiment shown in drawing Fig. 5. Applicants submit that claims 1-3, 7-9, 11-17, 19-21, 25-27, 29-35, and 37-42 read on the embodiment of the invention identified as Species II by the Examiner and illustrated in drawing Fig. 5.

Applicants respectfully assert that claims 1, 3, 11-17, 19, 21, 29-35, and 37-39 are generic, and note that upon allowance of a generic claim, claims to a non-elected species that depend from the allowed generic claim would also be allowable. Claims 4-6, 10, and 18 depend either directly or indirectly from generic claim 1, and would be allowable if generic claim 1 is allowed. Claims 22-24, 28, and 36 depend either directly or indirectly from generic claim 19, and would be allowable if generic claim 19 is allowed.

Please Note Information Disclosure Statements

Applicants wish to draw the Examiner's attention to the Information Disclosure Statements filed with the Office on **February 24, 2004, April 20, 2004 and January 18, 2005**, and respectfully request that the documents or other information referenced therein be made of record in the present application and that an initialed copy of the PTO-1449 form or PTO/SB/08A be returned to the undersigned attorney evidencing same.

Should any of the documents, or portions thereof, be unavailable to the Examiner for any reason, please contact the undersigned agent, who will supply same immediately by facsimile or other suitable method of delivery.

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Respectfully submitted,

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